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A WARNING TO FASHIONABLE DRINKERS.—The Evening Mail of December 28th says:

Having stirred up a genuine sensation among the retail grocers of the city, by its exposures of high weights and adulterations, the world has now attacked a far more mischievous and vulnerable class of dealers—the vendors of liquors by the glass. To make its exposures more effective, samples of the most expensive whisky and brandy were bought some time since by the World's commissioner, at several of the most fashionable bar-rooms in the city, and subjected to chemical analysis by Prof. John C. Draper. The results obtained will astonish and horrify the gentlemen who have been in the habit of taking their 'toddy' at these places under the delusion that high prices insured a pure and undiluted article. At but one bar in the list was the brandy obtained pure, and in this instance it was greatly diluted. The whisky was better, but generally contained more or less of the poisonous fusel oil and of laudanum, and was invariably diluted. The generalization from the facts obtained is that in our day there is barely one gallon in a hundred thousand manufactured that is not adulterated or badly rectified. This may be a rather broad statement, but it is substantially justified by the facts. At all events it is undoubtedly true that even those who can afford to pay the highest prices for liquors, at the most reputable bars, will in a majority of cases, drink an adulterated and poisonous article. It is this fact that accounts for the fearful ravages of disease among the fashionable drinkers of the day. The adulterated liquors derange the system, cause a morbid condition which demands a continuance of the poison, erode the brain, and make premature drunkards. This fearful and incontrovertible fact should be burned into the mind of every young man in the country.

EMPLOYMENT OF COLORED TROOPS.—It becomes quite a question, says the New York Times, how far the employment of colored troops in the army 'pays,' as a matter of economy. The Surgeon-General's report shows that for the last year, among white soldiers, the proportion of deaths to cases treated was as 1 to 97; among the colored soldiers, as 1 to 55; and the disproportion of sick to well was quite as marked. Two years ago the ratio of deaths among white troops to that of cases treated was as 1 to 52; while among colored troops it was as 1 to 29. Gen. Fry once showed that of the 180,000 colored troops in service during the war, 26,211 died of disease—a rate of one to 7 exclusive of deaths from wounds. On the other hand, of the 2,500,000 white troops, only 158,120 died of disease—a ratio of but 1 to 16. Thus the power of resisting disease in the colored soldier was only one-half that of the white. Now comparing this with the figures of 1866 and 1868, we shall see just about the same ratio preserved. These estimates include both ordinary and extraordinary service, in peace and in war. And it seems to us that the very important physical and medical fact is thus demonstrated that colored men cannot so well endure the fatigues and exposures of military service as white. Let us add however, in justice to the colored troops, that they make up in fidelity what their comrades do in hardihood; for the desertion among the latter on the Plains is as disproportionate as the death-rate in the former.

A MINOR ERECTED TO THE MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE.—The Boston Journal of December 25th says:—The next Legislature will act upon a question which we are not aware has ever come before it. It will be called upon to decide upon the eligibility of William P. Tyler, of the Seventh Ward, this city, to a seat in the House. He was elected on the Democratic ticket, and has received the proper certificates of his election. His fitness by education and ability none will deny, but Mr. Tyler lacks some months of attaining his majority. Can a minor hold a seat in the Legislature, is the question to be met. There is no provision in the Constitution, and no decision that we can find, which states in express terms that Representatives to the General Court shall be 21 years of age. The Constitution makes the House the judge of the qualifications of its members, and it may, by a vote, declare that Mr. Tyler has been duly elected and shall retain his seat. The question would arise, Can a minor hold a seat in the Legislature, when he is not qualified under the law to vote, his name not appearing on the voting list? Mr. Tyler, if the Legislature should not conclude its session before the 16th of May, 1869, can legally take his seat, and in the meantime we are not aware, as it appears by the returns that the district which he represents has duly chosen its allotted number of members, that any vacancy can be declared.

The late Duchess of Sutherland was a model matchmaker, and provided admirably for her daughters. One she married to the Duke of Argyle and another will be Duchess of Leinster. A third is married to the eldest son of the Marquis of Westminster, whose wealth no man can count, and a granddaughter has just been allied to Lord Percy, heir to the Dukedom of Northumberland.

VICTORIA, V. I., BRITISH COLUMBIA, FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 22, 1869.

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A Sister's OATH OF VENGEANCE.—The New Albany [Ind.] Commercial Advertiser, describing the scene after the lynching of the Reno Brothers and Anderson says: After the bodies had been laid out upon the floor in the jail, the wives of two of the men and Miss Reno, the sister of the three brothers, were permitted to enter the jail to take their last look at those who, although covered with crime, were in their lives all the world to them. The outburst of grief ended, the quiet of despair settled upon the faces of the women. But not long did one of them remain under the burden. The sister of the Reno brothers, an intelligent and handsome young lady, dried her eyes with her handkerchief, then, taking the grief-stained piece of linen she placed it over the face of William—who to the last declared his innocence; then she laid her left hand upon his heart, and raising her right hand toward heaven, she took this terrible oath: 'Oh! my poor murdered brother, may God curse your sister if she avenges not your death terribly and fully. This I will do, so help me God!' What a tragic scene was this—the dark, strong wall on all sides, and the cold stone floor under knees—the sable garments of the bereaved sister, the pale face turned upward and the white hand pointing heavenward! What a tableau of death, despair and revenge!

Medical.

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This wonderful Ointment acts like magic in relieving old sores, wounds, bad legs, ulcers and eruptions of the skin, while rubbing it on the surface it cures such diseases as trachoma, scrofula, &c. It is the most wholesome and safe of all ointments. It heals by cleansing all animal fluids with which it comes in contact, and thereby promotes a sound and permanent sure.

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This ointment cures the aching pains in rheumatism and gout and will prove invaluable. After application with warm water the soothing action of this Ointment is most remarkable; it seems at once to lessen inflammation, ease pain, reduce the swelling, restore natural circulation, and expels the disease. For the above complaints Holloway's Ointment and Pills are infallible.

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All Varieties of Skin Diseases, Scrofula and Scurvy.

This Ointment is a certain cure for Ringworm, Scurvy, Scrofula or King's Evil, and the most inveterate skin diseases. It is a safe and certain remedy for all skin diseases that cannot be treated with a salve or more specific remedy than Holloway's Ointment, assisted by his celebrated Pills, which act powerfully on the constitution and so purify the blood that these disorders are completely eradicated from the system, and lasting cure obtained.

Dropsical Swellings.

Beware of this dangerous and stealthy complaint which frequently creeps upon us by sightlessness or trifling jaundice, of which little or no notice is taken until the disease begins to grow. The cause of the evil must be detected and removed, and the best method set to work earnestly by taking Holloway's famous Pill according to the printed instructions, antrituting the Ointment very effectively over the pit of the stomach and right side where those organs lie. Most dropsical cases will readily yield to the combined influence of the Ointment and Pills.

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These complaints are most distressing to both body and mind, and are often the result of ignorance and carelessness. The best remedy is to be found in the use of Holloway's Ointment with instant relief, and effect hereinafter without the annoyance of explaining them to anyone.

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Are immediately relieved and ultimately cured if this Ointment is well rubbed twice a day, into the smell of the back, over the regions of the kidneys to which it will gradually penetrate and in almost every case give immediate relief; but perseverance will be necessary to effect a complete cure.

Notice of Removal.

Miscellaneous.

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J. & J. Colman's, Best Quality, in 5 lb and 1 lb Tins. For Sale by JANION, RHODES & CO.

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Jams, Jellies, Sauces, Fancy Biscuits, Puff Fruit, Currie Powders, Anchovies, Arrowroot, Fago, Tapatio, For Sale by JANION, RHODES & CO.

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Of Superior Quality; Dicanters, Carafes, Tumblers, Wine Glasses, &c. For Sale by JANION, RHODES & CO.

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THE BRITISH COLONIST.

Friday Morning, Jan. 22, 1869.

Auction Sale To-day.

J. P. DAVIES & CO., Wharf street, will sell, at 11 a.m., 1 interest in a Cariboo Mining Claim; 1 shot gun, silver watch, gold chain, &c.; also, Furniture.

NOTES.

Mrs. At Victoria, B.C., the wife of A. Rocke Robertson, Esq., Barrister, of a son.

THE MECHANICS' LITERARY INSTITUTE.—The entertainment given upon the occasion of the opening of the new rooms of the Mechanics' Literary Institute on Wednesday evening, proved highly successful—both from an artistic and pecuniary point of view, the proceeds being \$71, and the performance of an excellent character. The spacious hall was crowded with a large and intelligent audience, among whom we were glad to observe many of our officials with their families, Officers of the Fleet and prominent citizens. Mr. Lamley Franklin, President of the Institute, called on Chief Justice Needham to declare the rooms formally opened and dedicated to the purposes indicated by the title of the Society. His Lordship, who was cordially received, performed the task assigned him in a few pleasant remarks, during the course of which he sought to impress upon the minds of the audience the importance of advancing the institution by every means in their power, especially by contributions to the library. The orchestra, which was composed of Messrs. Palmer, Haynes, Bushell and others, having played an avowal in excellent time and taste; Hon. A. T. Bushby, came forward, and in a rich, full tenor voice gave the delightful senerade of 'Soft sleep be thine, love,' in a manner that drew forth rapturous applause—Mr. Bushby subsequently sang with great effect and judgment 'Banks of Alaniwater,' which was enthusiastically encored. Miss Palmer next gave, 'Come into the garden, Maud,' and when it is remembered that the piece is a most difficult one, and unsuited to the range and character of the young lady's voice, we think she acquitted herself creditably. In the duet with Mr. Bushby of 'Gently Sighs the Breeze,' Miss Palmer sang better than we have ever before heard her; her clear soprano blending delightfully with the rich tenor of Mr. Bushby. 'A selection from B.' by Mr. P. Hankin, was capitally rendered and gave universal satisfaction. The gentleman's imitative powers are fine, and he threw all the life and spirit into the selection that the author appears to have intended it should possess. In the second part, Hon. Mr. Havelock of Yale, gave 'The Stagecoach Hero' with wonderful power, personating the embryo Kean, an alarmed servant-maid, and a frightened tailor so well that the audience insisted upon a repetition. Miss Needham, who was accompanied upon the piano by Mrs. Needham, sang the ballad of 'The For-a-ken' in an exquisitely chaste and beautiful style. The most profound silence prevailed during the rendition of the song, and when the young lady's voice had died away the audience insisted upon an encore, when she came forward and sang 'When the Swallows Homeward Fly' with exquisite taste and sweetness. Mr. White sang 'Summer Dew' in a sweet tenor voice, which drew forth an encore, when he gave the rattling ballad of 'Tom Bowling' in an unexceptionable manner. During the evening two quartettes were given by Messrs. Bushby, Franklin, Emery and Harrott. The proceedings terminated with the National Anthem—Miss Palmer and Messrs. Bushby and Franklin singing the solos. Too warm praise cannot be awarded the ladies and gentlemen who kindly volunteered their services upon this occasion. They possess not only the thanks of the members of the Institute but of the public as well.

THE WRECK OF THE DELAWARE.—Capt. Walker has completed two large 'camels,' or octagonal water-tight tanks, which it is intended to use in raising and floating the wrecked bark Delaware, lately purchased by Moody & Co. It is expected the camels will be taken down to-day and lashed at low water to the sides of the wreck.

EDUCATION BILL.—Mr. Alston, we learn, will bring forward his Educational Bill on Monday. There should be a full house present to discuss the merits of so important a measure. We trust the hon. gentleman's scheme is liberal and free.

The steamship Ajax sailed at 8½ o'clock yesterday morning. She carried some thirty passengers from this place, most of whom will return.

Legislative Council.

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1869.

Present—Hons. Walkem, Hamley, O'Reilly, Sanders, Robson, Crease, Helmcken, Havelock, Alston, Davie, Ball, Bushby, Trutch, Ring, Wood, Drake, Holbrook, Young (presiding).

PETITIONS.

Hon. Helmcken presented a petition recommending alterations in the New Mining Act.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Hon. Helmcken gave notice that he would move for returns in relation to the steamer Douglas, Assay Office, approximate amount of gold taken out last year, and the cost of keeping of the prisoners in gaols of Victoria and New Westminster.

Hon. Helmcken gave notice that he would move for the returns of Customs Duties received in 1867 and 1868.

Hon. Helmcken gave notice that he would move in Committee on Supply, that the present salaries of officials are too high; that the Governors salary should be £2500; Colonial Secretary, £600; Chief Commissioner, £600; Collector of Customs, £300; Attorney General, £300 with practice, and that there was no necessity for a Chief Commissioner of Police.

Hon. Helmcken, before going into Committee of Supply, would avail him self of the time-honored custom of giving expression to any complaints or stating any grievances, from which the people suffered, and which might be remedied by government. He conceived that in keeping up the usage, he was securing to all future ages a right of expression at that point of the proceedings, and he was at the same time enlightening the newly elected members on the subject of Parliamentary usage. The first complaint he had to make was in relation to the Eagle Pass, he did not observe any item in the Estimates which referred to it, and concluded from that, that government did not intend to do anything towards the construction this year. If that was the case he could only say that the government was about to inflict serious injury on the country. That good mining ground exists there, there could be no doubt, and it might be of a very extensive character. If the Eagle Pass Road was not made the supplies would all go by way of the American Territory. It was the duty of the Government to foster our own trade, and when the country began to improve it was proper that everything should be done to hasten and encourage that improvement. The cost of forming the road would be trifling and the advantage great; it would open up a vast country beyond, and under any circumstances the road must be made, so that if there was any doubt as to the possible richness of the Kootenay mines the outlay would not be lost; but on the contrary, he believed if the road was made early in the spring the road to its gain by its construction would be more than sufficient to cover the cost. If the road

APPOINTMENT.—We have reason to congratulate Captain W. H. Franklyn of this city upon the fact that he has received from Her Majesty's Government the appointment of Civil Commissioner at the Seychelles Islands, dependencies of Mauritius, lying some 900 miles north of that colony. The salary attached to the office is £800 and a residence. The incumbent is virtually the Governor of the group. The residence of the Commissioner will be on the island of Mahe. Captain Franklyn and family, we learn, will sail by the first ship for the scene of his future labors, which he expects to reach via Sydney, Australia.

YESTERDAY, being the anniversary of the Prince Consort's death, a special service was performed before her Majesty and the Royal Family in the Royal Mausoleum at Frogmore.—Times, 19th ult.

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